108TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. RES. 37

Congratulating the Republic of Cyprus on its recent completion of the accession process into the European Union.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 28, 2003

Mr. Andrews submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the Republic of Cyprus on its recent completion of the accession process into the European Union.

- Whereas the Republic of Cyprus has, in its 42-year history as an independent nation, made remarkable economic and political progress;
- Whereas membership in the European Union will provide security, prosperity, and increased activity in international affairs for both the Cypriot Government and the citizens it represents;
- Whereas the Cypriot people have endured the hardships of an illegal Turkish occupation in the northern part of the island for the past 29 years;

- Whereas the Greek and Turkish Cypriots are currently working towards negotiations to reunify the Republic of Cyprus under one sovereign government; and
- Whereas the Republic of Cyprus was extended an official invitation to join the European Union on December 13, 2002, and is scheduled to sign the accession treaty in April of 2003: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives offers
 - 2 its sincere congratulations to the Republic of Cyprus on
 - 3 its recent completion of the accession process into the Eu-
 - 4 ropean Union.

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